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SUBJECT: INDIAS FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES

REF: NEW DELHI 11117

1. INDIAS TOTAL FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES WERE DOLS
6,064 MILLION AS OF END APRIL 1978 AND ARE ESTIMATED BY THE
EMBASSY TO BE DOLS 6,163 MILLION AS OF END JULY 1978.
ON JULY 20,1978 INDIA REPAID SDRS 201.3 MILLION (
APPROXIMATELY DOLS 250 MILLION) TO THE IMF, RESULTING IN THE
LIQUIDATION OF ITS ENTIRE 'USE OF FUND CREDIT.'

2. INDIAS RESERVES ARE AS FOLLOWS: (DOLS MILLION)

	FOREIGN		RESERVE				
1978	EXCHANGE A/	GOLD B/	SDRS C/	POSITION	TOTAL	USE OF	NET
				IN FUNDC/	RESERVES	FUND	RESERVES
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APRIL	5,444	315	212	93	6,064	247	5,817
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MAY "	5,500	313	215	93	6,121	246	5,875
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JUNE "	5,478	353	219	95	6,145	250	5,895
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JULY "	5,485	359	223	96	6,163	-	6,163
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" ESTIMATE

A/ ESTIMATED RUPEE FIGURES HAVE BEEN CONVERTED AT THE
END-MONTH RUPEE-DOLLAR RATE AS PUBLISHED IN IFS FOR MAY
(RS. 8.407) AND JUNE (RS. 8.249.)M FOR JULY 1978
CONVERSION RATE OF RS. 8.049 TO DOLLAR ONE WAS DERIVED
BY MULTIPLYING END MONTH DOL/STERLING MID-RATE BY RUPEE
STERLING MID-RATE.

B/ THE GOLD HOLDINGS OF THE RESERVE BANK OF INDIA REMAINED
CONSTANT AT SDRS 257 MILLION UPTO MAY 19IM IN JUNE 1978,
INDIA PURCHASED OVER 800,000 OUNCES OF GOLD INCREASING ITS
GOLD HOLDINGS TO SDRS 285 MILLION. THE DOLLAR VALUE
IS DETERMINED BY US DOLLAR/DR RATE AT THE END OF
EACH MONTH.

C/ FIGURES IN DOLLARS FOR APRIL-JUNE 1978 TAKEN FROM
AUGUST 1978 INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL STATISTICS (IFS).
THE DOLLAR VALUE OF JULY 1978 REFLECTS THE CHANGE
IN THE US DOLLAR/SDR RATE ASSUMING NO CHANGE IN THE AMOUNT
OF SDRS HELD BY INDIA SINCE END JUNE 1978.

D/ USE OF FUND CREDIT REMAINED CONSTANT AT SDRS 201.3
MILLION FOR APRIL, MAY AND JUNE 1978. IN JULY IT WAS
LIQUIDATED. SDR FIGURES HAVE BEEN CONVERTED TO US DOLLARS
ON THE BASIS OF END MONTH DOL/SDR RATES I.E.
DOLLAR 1.22609 END APRIL;
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DOLLAR 1.21985 END MAY; DOLLAR 1.2353 END JUNE AND
DOLLAR 1.25986 END JULY 1978.
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